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BRIEFING ROE IN SWA

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Who Should Brief ROE

- ROE belongs to the Commander and the J-3
- May use JAG to accomplish training
- Best bet is to have representatives from both JAG and J-3 give briefing together

Preparation

- Review more than the prepared ROE briefing slides
  - ROE Serial Message
  - SPINS
  - ROE scenarios
- Don’t just learn the slides UNDERSTAND them

ROE in Context

- National Policy
- Commander’s Intent

Talking to Aircrew

- Put the briefing in operator language
- Know the terms in your briefing
  - example BVR, VID, CAS,
- Don’t use a lot of legal terms
- Use current examples from your experiences

Giving the Briefing

- Don’t forget basic briefing skills
- Be succinct
  - Most aircrew are receiving a lot of information when they arrive in theater
- Know you audience
  - Tailor briefing for the crew you are addressing
- You’re a JAG not a tactician
  - Don’t guess at answers you don’t know
  - Think about who should be answering certain questions
    - May be better to have answer come from an operator
- PRACTICE PRACTICE PRACTICE

Areas of Interest

- Self Defense
  - Most questions are in this area (hostile intent)
- Declaring a target hostile
- Intercept procedures
- Pursuit
  - MEZ, WEZ, into a 3rd country
- Air to Ground rules

Things To Look Out For

- Changes in ROE or other Guidance
  - Make sure you are briefing the most current information
    - Check SPINS daily
- Aircrew who have been in theater 100 times
  - Things may have changed
- Frustration with the ROE
  - Know why certain rules exist
- Ops leaving ROE completely up to the legal office
- Reverting back to a LOAC briefing

ROE Scenario

- OSW A/C are doing a TARPS run S.W. of Basrah. Other capable OSW A/C are providing SEAD. Some air asset detects TA emissions from an unknown, unlocated SA-3 site. No A/C are threatened.

- What should be done? Can the SEAD A/C fire a HARM?

ROE Scenario cont.

- Presume the TARP A/Cs has reason to go defensive. One of the other air assets confirms probable low blow.
- What can the SEAD A/C do now?

ROE Scenario cont.

- **Presume the SEAD package successfully fires a HARM and takes out the low blow. Ten minutes later, Predator spots an SA-3 launcher with 4 missiles near the low blow's smoking hole.**

- **The SEAD package is still nearby. Can they engage the SA-3?**

QUESTIONS???